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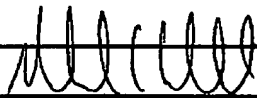
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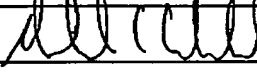
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10/11/2005**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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This is in response to the Office Action mailed 07/14/2005, in which claim 36 was provisionally rejected for obviousness-type double patenting over claim 5 of copending application 10/249,198. Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing which begins on page 3 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.